

EAST IS AGAIN IN GRIP OF ICY BLASTS

Another Cold Wave Approaches Middle West from the Atlantic Seaboard.

MORE DEATH AND SUFFERING

Kansas City Schools Opened to Poor—Food and Fuel Run Short.

CHICAGO, January 14.—Another terrific cold wave is rapidly gripping the Middle West, and has already settled over the Atlantic seaboard. This section of the country has hardly recovered from the severe cold weather of a week ago, when records were broken as far back as sixteen years and more. Schools have been closed in many districts, trains are late and abandoned, telephone and telegraph wires put out of commission, and all the big cities of the East and Middle West report unusual and urgent calls from the poorer sections for fuel and food.

Hundreds of small towns throughout the West are existing on a narrow margin of supplies because of the sporadic train service, and the list of deaths in the recent terrible cold spell is expected to grow to a new total.

Suffering in Kansas City.
KANSAS CITY, January 14.—The public schools have been thrown open at the orders of the city authorities to relieve the sufferings of the poor who have difficulty in getting fuel and food supplies. The cold is intense, and there is much inconvenience and suffering in homes that depend upon natural gas for heat, as the supply is practically cut off by the cold weather. Many manufacturing plants have been closed for this reason.

Deaths from the Cold.
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 14.—The weather along the Atlantic seaboard is reported to be the worst in years. Relief is promised, however, for today. Eighteen deaths from the terrific cold have been reported in the East and Middle West during the past week.

LAVA LAKE HAS SUBSIDED EIGHTY FEET

The lava lake in the crater of Kilauea is reported to have dropped at least eighty feet within a week and the molten stuff is now far out of reach of souvenir seekers. Tourists and kamaeians returning yesterday on the Mauna Kea from Hawaii report that the lake has gone down to a point where the pit seems to slope toward the center, and is far below the old ledge.

This subsidence occurred quickly, for a week ago hundreds of excursionists visited the pit and were able to go down the sides of the crater to the shore of the lake and dip molten lava out with ladles and spoons and bring away samples.

The fall of the lake will mean the falling of heavy masses of cooled lava from the sides of the pit. The lava, when cooled, is very light and brittle, and it is not expected the new material clinging to the old walls will remain there long.

Professor Jaggar, the eminent volcanologist who arrived here last week to continue the investigations at the crater began last summer by Professor Serret, intends to go to Kilauea Tuesday.

BACON'S RESIGNATION IS ACCEPTED BY TAFT

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 14.—President Taft has accepted the resignation of Hon. Francis Bacon, American ambassador to France. The ambassador gave as his reason for quitting the post that he would accept a fellowship at Harvard. He was at one time a member of the famous Roosevelt "ten-man cabinet."

SOCIALISTS MAKE GAIN IN GERMAN ELECTIONS

BERLIN, Germany, January 13.—Important gains were made by the Socialists in the elections, according to reports so far. The Socialists gain 24 seats in the Reichstag, the Conservatives lose 18, the Center 6, the National Liberals 15 and the Radicals 12.

REPORTED VICTORIES OF ITALY REALLY DEFEATS

ROME, Italy, January 13.—In letters from Italian officers at Tripoli declare that the official reports sent to Italy on the scene of war are misleading, and reported Italian victories in reality are serious reverses.

EIGHT DOOMED TO DEATH ON A SINKING SCHOONER

BUREKA, Washington, January 14.—Seven men and a woman face what appears to be certain death on the sinking schooner C. A. Thayer which is flying distress signals twenty miles off from this port. The vessel is beyond the rough bar that intervenes between the harbor and the open sea, and the violence of the storm that is raging makes assistance impossible.

The C. A. Thayer is en route from San Francisco in ballast.

The Thayer is well known here, through her commander Captain Scott, who is believed to be one of the ill-fated company on the sinking vessel. Captain Scott has many friends and acquaintances in the Islands, and has brought his ship here frequently in the lumber trade.

SLUM DWELLERS WOULD DO WELL TO SEEK THE PLANTATIONS FOR WORK

"I don't understand why the people who are only half living in the tenements of Honolulu, and live actually from hand to mouth, don't go down to the plantations. There they will find plenty of work, good homes, free water and fuel, medical attendance and the free, open, healthy atmosphere in which their children may grow up healthy and strong and amid good moral surroundings."

Miss Rose Davison, the humane officer, who has just completed an inspection of animals in the Ewa and Waipahu districts, where she found horses and mules in good condition, well fed, and well treated, also found time to investigate the condition of the children of the plantation laborers, and after comparing the life of these with those who live in the city slums, made the above comment.

"I visited the Waipahu school where

there are 385 children," she says, "and found only five absent. I saw a school population of healthy looking, apparently well-fed children. I do not recall seeing a single one in ragged clothing. The children have a wholesome appearance. It struck me at once that the tenement folk of Honolulu are blind to the advantages to be found by work on plantations. In town they work hard for a few days in the week, but seldom have an entire week's pay coming to them. They pay much of their earnings for a cheap, cheerless room in a tenement, crowded in with other people, and have little or no privacy. Their children are born in and raised in an atmosphere of immorality in a large number of cases. Above all their children are far from healthy, physically, and it strikes me that the present generation growing up unhealthily will only be a charge upon the community at some future time, an expense and a burden to everyone.

"The plantations will solve the problem of their lives."

HONOLULU'S GROWTH INDICATED BY NEW PLANS OF THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY

The Standard Oil Company is impressed with the growing importance of Honolulu as a market for its products. This is the inference to be drawn from the information made public yesterday by H. A. Davis, formerly traveling representative of the oil trust in California, and now assigned here as assistant to George H. Richardson.

Mr. Davis came here on the last trip of the Sierra and brings with him the news that, just as soon as the growing business of Hawaii warrants the expenditure, the Standard is planning to put on a steamer to transport crude oil from the Coast to the Territory. This will

of course be additional to the installation of the steamers which will bring down distillate, gasoline and refined oil for the local market.

Davis, who is enthusiastic over the prospects he sees here, declared that the plans of the company to build a large plant for manufacturing the tins for holding the refined oil would mean a material reduction in the cost of refined oil to the consumers. Details of this trip have already been printed.

With the development of the present plant Mr. Davis declared himself not sufficiently acquainted as yet to discuss. He did say, however, that he expects to see a vast improvement and enlargement in the future.

ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD YOUNGSTER LEADS BOLD BAND OF SMALL BOY THIEVES

Five small boy thieves last night ended their careers, temporarily at least, when Judge W. L. Whitney of the juvenile court held a special session in the office of Chief McDuffie while the big chief himself brought the young prisoners before him. All of them had been engaged in "hooking" articles from Japanese and other stores under the leadership of a boy smaller than any of them.

This little chap, eleven years old, is already on probation, and has been arrested three or four times. He was committed to the reform school but was permitted to stay out on probation.

From the stories his companions tell he leads them into the stores where one or two engage the proprietor in conversation while others of the band stuffed knives, cuff buttons and the like into their pockets. Kupaka, it seems, got more than anyone else and very generously gave less experienced ones part of his loot.

They were found by Chief McDuffie

on a description given by Druggist Fred Makino, who missed some goods after they had been in his store at Hotel and Nuuanu street. A Japanese several days ago reported to the chief that several gold watches had been stolen from him and it seems that this young gang was also responsible for that.

FRENCH FLIER BREAKS WORLD'S SPEED RECORD

PAU, France, January 14.—Aviator Vedrines has broken the world's record for speed by flying eighty-eight and one-half miles in one hour. He recently broke the world's record for sustained flight, remaining in the air for seven hours, fifty-six minutes and thirty-five seconds, and covering 496 miles.

draped in a sheet, and picking up stones and bricks and hiding them because of kahunas stigma.

Annie Flores Kam Ling was granted a divorce from her husband Kam Sing on the ground of nonsupport.

The final report of the creditors of Manuel G. Simoes has been filed in court, the creditors acknowledging receipt of payments on their claims of 60-10 per cent.

SCHOONER ADMIRAL RUNS BADLY AMUCK

ASTORIA, Washington, January 14.—The schooner Admiral, bound for this port from Valparaiso, collided with the Columbia Jetty and turned turtle. She then went aground, and began breaking up. The crew jumped and all were saved, after harrowing experiences.

ACCEPTS PREMIERSHIP.

PARIS, France, January 13.—M. Poincaré, who was tendered the premiership yesterday, today told French Journalists that he would accept.

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SCHOOL EXPERTS TACKLE THE JOB

Commissioners Commence Regular Session—Little Done Yesterday.

(From Sunday's Advertiser.)

Undercurrents of infatuation that things are not as good as they might be in the department of public instruction flowed through the discussions of the commissioners of that department during their first day's session yesterday at the temporary quarters at Merchant and Alakea streets. Such voting as was done on the matters to be brought before the commissioners, however, usually endorsed the plans of Superintendent Pope. Each commissioner present, Mr. of Hawaii, Aiken of Maui, Stanley of Oahu and Rice of Kauai had his little question to ask, explanation to make or request of why such a thing was this way or wasn't, to present. In most cases the explanations forthcoming proved satisfactory.

Mr. Stanley, however, did intimate that School Inspector Gibson had railroaded an outline of school studies through the meeting of the supervising principals. Mr. Hyde was looking for niggers in payroll woodpiles responsible for \$30 rates being paid to teachers from the Coast to whom he had mentioned a minimum of \$40 and Stanley and Aiken combined in preparing a tentative report on the industrial school at Waialeale.

Industrial school matters, indeed, received large discussion. The commissioners were given ample proof that there was still criticism aimed at the department through an alleged neglect of the Waialeale institution. Stanley and Aiken insisted that while there might be an excuse for the former conditions when there was not a sufficient appropriation there certainly was no excuse now. The commissioners finally decided to go to the school and see for themselves whether conditions have been bettered or not and they will accordingly leave town this morning at eight o'clock for a personal inspection.

Plan Second School.

E. E. Paxton of Alexander & Baldwin, appeared before the commission with a plan for a secondary industrial school at the Kahuku plantation, which met with the approval of the commissioners, although no action was taken. The plantation is willing to finance the proposition providing it has the cooperation of the department in making a success of it.

The question of overtime pay for teachers was raised but no action taken, the question of sufficient teachers proving to be still a difficult one in spite of the new laws intended to simplify it, as the department is in the transition stage between the two systems and is accommodating itself to the new one. This year's full allowance of teachers is at present enrolled. This allowance is readjusted with the enrollment of next year and this will solve the difficulty then that is proving a drawback now.

Several new schools were authorized but it was found impossible to get teachers for them and private and public cooperation must be depended upon for the remainder of this term, it seems, in some instances.

Not Architects.

Mr. Stanley registered a kick over the assumption that he was an architect. Under the new laws, the commissioners have to pass on the plans for new buildings and in accordance with this the plans for the Kaimuki school and others came before them yesterday. Stanley did not want hasty judgment and said that when he joined the board it was not with the qualifications of an architect. He called attention to the fact that if anything happened at the school and any children were hurt, the commissioners would be blamed for it.

The plans for the Kaimuki school were finally passed with the proviso that the construction be done within the appropriation of \$60,000. There was some doubt whether the board had to pass on plans for additions to schools and the question was referred to the attorney general.

Must Be Economical.

The Girl's Industrial School for which new sites have been selected in Moiliili, came in for prolonged discussion. Superintendent Pope presented the tentative plans for it and described them. Upon the information that the full \$40,000 appropriation available would be needed, Mr. Stanley at once asserted the necessity for erecting it for less. He repeated a conversation with the Governor in which the chief executive had expressed himself as anxious that the school be built for less than the full appropriation if possible and criticized the department for planning to spend the entire \$40,000 just because it had it. Mr. Pope took the stand that the estimates had been made before the appropriation and when \$40,000 was asked for from the legislature it was with the expectation that it would take at least that sum to cover the expense.

The offer of the College of Hawaii to institute traveling libraries, consisting of four boxes containing twenty books each, was read and finally accepted. The department will pay the transportation expenses, but the principals of the schools will have to stand responsible for the books while in their hands. The libraries will stay in each district one month, the plan in detail having been given in these columns several weeks ago.

Mr. Hyde of Kauai asked for the substitution of a new school at Waialeale, the children of which were compelled to walk nine miles a day to and from the Kapa school. Twenty-four children daily take this walk and twenty others of school age are kept at home for their parents are being so taxed for the job. The superintendent of Kauai has agreed to build the school and the substitution was duly given.

INFANT RULER OF CHINA WILL ABDICATE

Manchus Decide to Relinquish the Reins of Government and Retire.

ARMISTICE EXPIRES SOON

Unprecedented Bloodshed Predicted if the War is Continued.

PEKING, China, January 14.—Pu-yi, the infant Manchuk emperor of China, is expected to abdicate the throne within three days.

The abdication and all details of his relinquishment of the throne were arranged at a meeting of the leaders of the imperial government.

It is announced that the imperial household will go into retirement at Jehol immediately.

Transports Chartered.

SHANGHAI, China, January 14.—The Republic has chartered thirteen merchantmen for the purpose of transporting troops in case of further military operations. It is reported that they will be put into commission immediately for transporting troops to China.

Armistice Expires Soon.

NANKING, China, January 14.—The armistice will expire during the coming week, and the event is being looked upon with growing apprehension.

If the war continues it is predicted that it will be at the cost of unprecedented bloodshed.

The Republicans are strengthening their lines south of the Yang-tse-kiang river.

DR. BLUE STEPS INTO HIS BRAND NEW JOB

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 14.—Dr. Rupert Blue was today inaugurated as surgeon-general, filling the place made vacant by the death of the late Doctor Wyman.

INVESTIGATORS BEGIN STUDY OF WORLD'S SUGAR

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 14.—The house committee's board of investigators has begun its great task of studying exhaustively the world's sugar conditions.

BANDITS BLOW OPEN CALIFORNIA BANK

NEWPORT BEACH, California, January 13.—Three bandits blew open the bank here early yesterday morning, securing \$2000. In a battle with the police, they dropped their tools, and one was wounded. The bandits escaped with a posse on their trail.

FIRE IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania, January 13.—Fire in the business district today caused a loss of \$250,000.

NEW YORK FIRE CHIEF'S BODY IS RECOVERED

NEW YORK, January 14.—The body of Fire Chief Walsh, who was killed in the fire which destroyed the Equitable Life Building, has been found on the fourth floor of the ruined structure, where he was trapped and suffocated by the smoke and fumes.

PASADENA HOTEL BURNS TO GROUND

PASADENA, California, January 15.—The Hotel Pasadena was burned here last night. The patrons, of whom there were a hundred or more, were taken by surprise and succeeded in escaping from the smoke and flames with difficulty. No one was injured although several had narrow escapes.

FAST TRAIN KILLS CHURCHGOING PARTY

PHILADELPHIA, January 15.—Five women and one man, the driver, were killed yesterday near Germantown Junction, when a fast train of the Pennsylvania road struck and destroyed a wagon, containing a party of churchgoers. Death was instantaneous in most cases.

SPREADING RAIL WRECKS A TRAIN

TOLLEDO, Ohio, January 13.—Eight passengers were seriously injured in a railroad accident near Carey, Ohio, yesterday. A fast train was speeding through the town when the rails spread, throwing the locomotive on its side and wrecking the passenger cars. The engine was overturned and two men killed.

Two Most Important Projects Await Delayed Actions of Commissioners.

(From Sunday's Advertiser.)

With the fiasco of the Hecla road contract which they awarded to Lord-Young Engineering Company, now tied up in court, the members of Loan Fund Commission seemingly have gone into retirement. Apparently they have forgotten all about Frog Lane, the Leilehua road and the two new schoolhouses that are still to be built.

City Engineer Gere had his men working on the Frog Lane matter for several weeks, and two months ago he turned the details over to the members of the commission. All surveys had been made, the road grade was determined, the amount of property which would be necessary to condemn and all other details were worked out, and the estimates of all kinds turned over to Chairman Adams. There has been no meeting of the commission—public or private—since that time and absolutely no action has been taken as to what is going to be done in the matter, although the money is available and waiting to be sent.

This widening of Frog Lane into a street is an important matter to a large number of persons, who are at a loss to know why the commission has not done something in the premises.

Second Section of Road.

The final figures for the second section of the belt road were completed last week. This section is a ten mile and one-half stretch through two gulches and across Leilehua plains. The work presses, but no notice of any meeting of the board has been issued by its chairman.

The second section of the belt road is an especially important one, connecting as it does the two sections of good road, and being the only stretch the whole distance to Haleiwa which can be injured by rainfall. Although this road as a whole will not be especially costly, the hauling of the rock needed in its construction will cost much money, and this really is the only large expense in its construction.

The city engineer has stated that there is no grading to amount to anything to do in the whole piece of roadway, and were it not for the expense in getting crushed rock on the ground it would be a cheap job to finish. As it is, the work is estimated to cost something under ten thousand dollars a mile. Under the specifications this roadway will be the equal of any of the country roads on the island, and will be a work much appreciated by the traveling public.

Schoolhouses.

At one of the last meetings of the commission which was held, two architects of the city were authorized to prepare plans for two schoolhouses to be built from loan fund money. The architects have completed their work, but no action has been taken by the commissioners on this matter.

Rumor has it that the loan fund commission is to have a meeting to consider school building matters tomorrow, but it is vague rumor only, that no one seems to be able to verify. It is the custom of Chairman Adams to take no one into his confidence until ten minutes before the meeting hour and then notify the other commissioners where to meet him in a hurry.

KUKAIAU WRIT ORDERED ISSUED

Horner Pitikia Still Occupying Attention of Circuit Court.

(From Sunday's Advertiser.)

Judge Cooper yesterday morning ordered the peremptory writ of mandamus to issue in the Kukaiau case. The court allowed until January 22, at four o'clock in the afternoon for this order to be carried out.

The troubles of the Horner brothers came again before Judge Cooper yesterday. A motion was filed two days ago by attorneys for Robert Horner. This motion asked that the peremptory writ of mandamus be issued at once, compelling the Kukaiau Plantation Company to hold its annual meeting. Albert Horner is defendant. Robert Horner, manager of the ranch and one of the heavy stockholders in the company is plaintiff. Two of the largest law firms in the city are employed in the case, and the arguments have been long and fierce.

Robert Horner has won out so far, in that he has secured a peremptory writ of mandamus for the holding of the company's annual meeting when he wished it. The custom has been for an annual meeting in February, but the bylaws of the company state that the meeting shall be held each year in October. As a counter action, Albert Horner has brought suit against Robert in the courts of the big island to compel him to give an accounting of the conditions of the ranch of which he is manager. It is alleged in the complaint filed that he has fed horses of his own on the ranch lands and sold them, when his entire time and the products of the

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